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4 May 1964

MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Paul Chretien

SUBJECT: Later Comments on Invisible Government

A good friend of mine [REDACTED]

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She inquired of Random House a couple of days ago when they expect to publish Invisible Government, with the idea of laying in a stock. She was told that the book might in fact not be published, her informant indicating that there might be some security problems.

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This information seems to me to change the situation somewhat. My view, and I believe that this has been shared by most other people, has been that probably there is not much that can be done in the way of stopping publication or sanitizing the book to any extent. (My memorandum of 2 May suggests only making an attempt on one major point - the Special Group.) Now it seems to me that if Random House is in fact "running scared," maybe we should consider making a carefully thought-out approach to the publishers. I still feel sure that the authors would not co-operate.

My friend is prepared to follow-up with further inquiries if it should appear that this would be a good thing to do.

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